

## TOKEN HUNTER



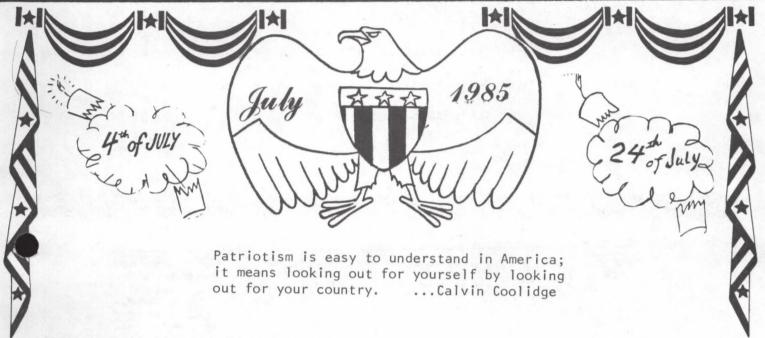


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BREAK-DANCING is <u>supposed</u> to be new-lithink it was invented by a woman trying to cook dinner with a toddler and a dog in the kitchen!

He that buys what he does not want must often sell what he DOES want.

The biggest labor problem is tomorrow.

It is easier to be critical than to be correct.

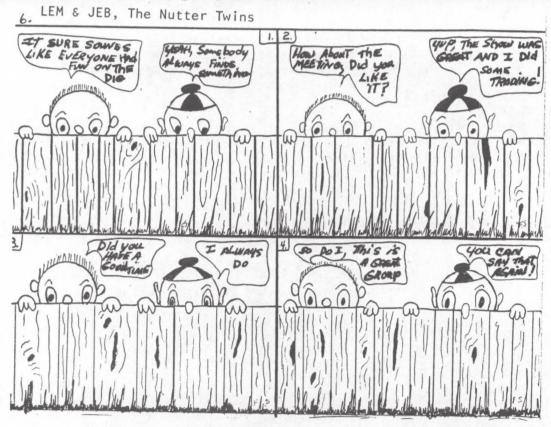
Conscience is that still small voice that tells you someone may be watching.





# Let's get lucky!





From

The



### Hend Nut

Dear NUTS,

Well, July is off to a blistering start. It's so hot that the last time I was out in the West Desert, I saw a jack-rabbit carrying an umbrella! But, even with the heat, it's still great metal-detecting weather!!

Speaking of metal detecting, June 22nd and 23rd was our Club dig at Winter Quarters. After setting up camp near Scofield Reservoir, we drove a short distance to the south side of Scofield town and then hiked into Winter Quarters Canyon.

The narrow canyon is lined by tall pine trees and dotted with numerous buildings and foundations. The creek that runs down the canyon is blocked at various points by beaver dams and trout can be seen swimming through the water. Deer, squirrels and birds seem to abound in the canyon.

The old Wasatch Company store is still the most prominent landmark in the old town. Only two of its walls are still standing and wild flowers bloom in what was once the ground floor. In such a peaceful setting, it's hard to believe this town was the site of a mining disaster that took nearly 200 lives.

Winter Quarters may be peaceful for most people but it's an exciting town for a treasure hunter. Crumbling buildings, rock foundations and rusting equipment seem to be everywhere and each turn of the road seems to reveal more places to search! So, search we did---and it paid off too. Everyone who hiked up the canyon with a metal detector walked back down with a coin or a token. Check out this month's "Diggin's" column for the particulars. So, not only was this dig very pleasant, it was also very successful.

As I write this Presidential letter, I'm getting ready to drive out along the Pony Express Trail to Simpson Springs and, even though I might not find anything of value, I can always count on having a good time and good friends at the digs. Why don't you join us for the day or the weekend? I'm sure you'll enjoy it too.

Now, on to meetings. I hope you enjoyed the Video tapes as much as I did. The Treasure Hunt at the old mine was my favorite part. Just once I'd like to have a weekend like that!! This month's meeting (July 25th) will be another Bourse night. This seems to be one of the more popular formats for our meetings—and, besides, maybe I can find some more Eureka tokens for my collection! So bring your traders or your latest finds, because anything goes on July 25th.

Next month will be something different. Our August meeting will be our Club picnic. Vice-President Lance Johnson will be in charge of the picnic and I'm sure he has an excellent evening lined up for us.

By the way, rumor has it that there are plans afoot for a Nevada dig sometime next summer. It's going to be perhaps one week long and it sounds like it would be very interesting

Hell, that about wraps it up, folks, for this month so I'll see you at the meeting.

### The Wagonmaster's



Dear NUTS,

We had planned on a trip to Grass Creek on August 10th & 11th but we have had to cancel those plans. This area was picked because a number of people had asked that we plan an outing within about 50 miles of Salt Lake City so that NUTS members who have only one day off on the weekends could attend without spending half the day driving. Unfortunately, after our original contact was made last winter with the owner of the Grass Creek property on which the ghost town sits, it has changed hands and is now owned by a gun club who will not grant permission for us to go in. It probably wouldn't do us much good anyway with steel and lead shot covering the area as a metal detector would go berserk most of the time!

In place of the Grass Creek outing, we've planned on a trip to Manning and Sunshine. These two ghost towns sit at the south end of the Oquirrh Mountains within a few miles of each other. Both were appendages of Mercur. Manning came into being as a result of the need for a good water supply for the new processing procedure used to process the ores of Mercur. Manning had the water and a number of mills were built and used and a town grew up around them. The water is still there, running out of a couple of shallow caves on the mountain to the East of the mills. The exact spot where the town was is unknown to your Wagonmasters, but it shouldn't be too difficult to find as the remains of the mills are still there and easy to locate.

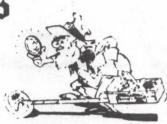
Sunshine was built around some mines developed after rich ore was found south of Mercur. The ores were much richer than those at Mercur and it was expected that the town would develop and be a large, booming community. The ore may have been rich but the veins were shallow apparently and, within a few years, the pay dirt was about gone and the town went with it. Quite a few buildings went up in those few years and although the town was short-lived, it was one of the larger mining communities of its day.

The two towns sit within a few miles of each other but different canyons must be traveled to reach each one. The road to Manning is very good and can easily be traveled in the family station wagon or whatever. The road to Sunshine, however, is a totally different story and I would not advise the use of anything except a truck. This road is very rocky and rough!

Club members who want to join us on this outing should meet at the Redwood Multi-purpose Center at 8:00 a.m. on August 10th. Since these towns are at a relatively low altitude and it IS August, please bring plenty of water and be ready for some rather warm temperatures. The drive can be accomplished in about an hour, so come out for Saturday or Sunday or both. All in all, we should have a great time and who knows what treasures await at these old towns!

Ken Lambson & Bryan Moulton Wagonmasters

• Diggin's



WELCOME, YOU FELLOW NUTS! This has been a pretty good month for SOME of our members!

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To begin with, the NUTS outing on June 22nd & 23rd to WINTER QUARTERS was very successful. Can you believe that EVERYONE who used a metal detector found a coin?

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KEN LAMBSON started the ball rolling by finding and UNLISTED denomination of the 'Wasatch Stores Co., Winter Quarters', Good for 1 exploder!

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GEORGE WILSON then found a 1923 BUFFALO NICKEL! Believe George said this was the very first Buffalo he had found.

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Shortly after George found his nickel, BRYAN MOULTON came up with a 1874 BRITISH HALF-PENNY in pretty good shape! What a story it could tell! Probably lost by some Cornish or Welsh miner who came to America to seek his fortune. A very interesting find!

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In the same area, I was fortunate enough to find an 1899 BARBER DIME!
Believe me, that was <u>really</u> an outstanding outing!

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JOHN SROKA found his first INDIANHEAD penny while in Idaho. Then, as if that wasn't excitement enough for one month, John also found an unlisted denomination token from a town "down South." Any further details, John? Congratulations on two exciting finds!

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"MR. CONSISTENT" otherwise known as JOHN ATTEBURY has come up with two more interesting pieces. He found two watch fobs this past month. One has the logo and name "International Typographical Union," and the other one (at least so far) is a "maverick" until someone identifies it. John promised to bring them to the July meeting. Way to go, John! John also found a man's ring marked 18K with 4 small chip diamonds or rhinestones!

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NOW, WHAT HAVE YOU FOUND? Remember, finds in coin shops, swap meets, yard sales, etc. are just as interesting to the other members. Let me know what you've come up with at 561-2392. Until next month, keep "diggin" and findin'---good luck!!

... Bruce Robinson



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO SOME VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE

Most folks go on vacations in July or August. Your Editor (never one to follow the crowd) checked into the L.D.S. Hospital on July 15th for by-pass surgery and, by the time you read this, she will be (hopefully) recuperating.

The July issue of Token Hunter could not have been put out on time without the help of Bryan Moulton, Ken Lambson, Bruce Robinson, Lance Johnson, and last, but not least, George Wilson. George not only got his letter to me on short notice but also arranged to get the paper printed, stapled, folded, addressed, stamped and mailed.

MY VERY DEEP THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!..Edith

AUGUST is Picnic Time! LOCATION MAP 1348 3210 3212 3218 1330 0200 SOUTH BINGHAM TOTAL=16.======TOTA.= TE DENVER 10600 17 16 NORTH

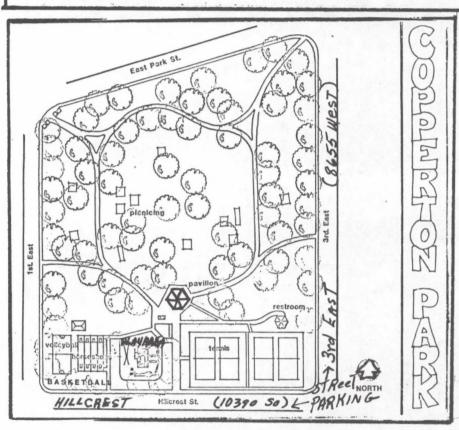
MARK YOUR

CALENDARS

N.U.T.S. FAMILY POT-LUCK PICNIC!!

AUGUST 29, 6:00 to: 10:00 P.M.

COPPERTON PARK



Our ANNUAL N.U.T.S. PICNIC will be held August 29th which is the fifth Thursday of August, because we were unable to get reservations for the 4th Thursday.

We will meet at the Pavilion in Copperton Park at 6:00 p.m. or as close thereto as you can make it. Above you will find a map showing how to get to Copperton and to t left is a map of the park area. This will be printed again in the August issue of Token Hunter for your convenience.

The only parking for this park is on the streets surrounding the park but that should not be a problem.

There are electrical outlets, lighting, water faucent, drinking fountain, restrooms and single picnic tables available. Also, there is a playground for the kids.

Let's try to have everyone who possibly can do so plan to attend. If you haven't been able to make many of the meetings, this is a good chance to renew acquaintance with your fellow NUTS! Lance Johnson (our Vice-Pres.) is in charge of the picnic and we'd like to make it a POT-LUCK with everyone participating.

Lance (or one of the other officers) will be calling each of you soon about FOOD so be thinking about what you'd like to

bring--or what you'd like someone else to bring!





#### \* \* THE MARKETPLACE \* \*

One or more of these box areas may be purchased for the Buy-Sell-Trade by Members or Non-Members. Cost is \$4.00 per box for 2 months. Send Ad and check by 10th of the month to 6143 Rainy Lane, Murray, Ut. 84107

A full sheet of "The Marketplace" contains six (6) of these rectangles or boxes.

You will note (if you look carefully) that there are NO ADS on this page. The reason for this is that none were sent in. In the past we have usually had 3 or 4 each month and a couple of times we actual y had 9 paid ads! Not only did this help the advertiser (we hope) but it was also Token Hunter.

As noted above, you get the use of one box for two solid months for \$4.00. Your I was able to get about 25 Idaho tokens as well as a few Utah ones.

doesn't matter how it's written or what THINK ABOUT IT. DON'T YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO BUY, SELL OR TRADE?

an inexpensive way to help finance the

editor has used this service and will use it again. As a result of the ads I placed,

You can write your own ad if you wish. It must fit one of these spaces, however. If you want it re-written and/or "set-up" by the Editor, just say so. In that case, it size it is--she can probably fix it!



DON'T FORGET! NUTS meeting for July will be July 25th and we hope most of you will be there. The meeting begins, as usual, at 7:15 p.m. and will be another "Bourse" meeting so bring your "traders" and/or any finds and prepare to enjoy an evening of trading and talk!

As mentioned elsewhere (page 6), our August meeting will be superseded by our Annual Picnic and the date had to be changed from the 4th Thursday to the 5th Thursday in August. So, we'll expect to see you and your spouses (spice?) and kids, etc. at Copperton Park, August 29th ! Come one, come all! It's sure to be fun!!!

HEAR YE!

The UTAH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY coin show is scheduled for September 13-15 at the Salt Palace and Gaylen-Rust (who is also a NUTS Umember) sis the Show Chairman. This date is about six or seven weeks earlier than usual so be sure to mark it on your calendars. More information should be available when we print the August Token Hunter.

We were very pleased to welcome back one of our first members, Tom Hickman, at the June meeting. Tom's health has prevented him from participation for the last couple of years but we hope to see him again soon. Tom has done quite a bit of historical research on people, places and things that would be of interest to most of us and we are hoping to print some of his material in the August or September issues of Token Hunter. WELCOME BACK, TOM!

SUNSHINE AND MANNING: Redwood Rd. (U-68) south to Junction with U-73. Turn right and follow U-73 thru Cedar Fort. A couple of miles beyond Cedar Fort (west), a road to the right leads to Manning. Farther down U-73, about 8 miles past Camp Floyd, a very bad, rough, rocky road leads to Sunshine up Sunshine Canyon.